pursuant to which it was created/set up. The concerned instrumentality can also adopt the rules of the Central Government wholly or with suitable amendments as may be permissible within the legal framework governing such instrumentality. However, the rules framed by the Central Government, in any case, do not extend automatically to instrumentalities. Also, rules/ regulations framed by the instrumentalities are not centrally monitored.

Personal staff of Ministers

2371. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the permissible scale of personal staff of all categories to Cabinet Minister and Minister of State as per the norms laid down by the ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions;

(b) whether the norms as set down by Government have been adhered to by all the present Union Ministers;

(c) if not, the names of the ministers where the deviation has been permitted; and

(d) the justifications for such deviation having been permitted in each case?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING, DEPARTMENT OF PENSION AND PENSIONERS' WELFARE OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHRA RAJE): (a) to (d) The number and level of posts admissible on the personal staff of Ministers are indicated in statement (*See* below). All the Ministries /Departments are required to strictly adhere to the norms laid down in a circular of October 1994 and they cannot create any additional posts on the personal staff of Ministers without prior approval of the Ministry of Finance and the Department of Personnel and Training. Adjustments of posts within the sanctioned strength are allowed only if matching savings are made available by surrendring some posts from within the scale of the entitlement. The norms laid down by this Ministry are being followed by all the Union Ministers and this Ministry is not aware of deviation, if any.

Statement

Normal Entitlement of Personal Staff for the Members of Union Council of Ministers

Sl. No.	Name of Post	Scale of Pay	Number of posts admissible			
			Cabinet Minister	Minister of State (MOS) with Inde-pendent charge	Minister of State	Deputy Minister
1.	Private Secretary	(Rs. 143000-18300/ Rs. 12000-16500)	1	1	1	1
2.	Additional P.S.	(Rs. 10000-15200)	2	1	1	—
3.	Assistant P.S.	(Rs. 6500-10500)	2	2	1	—
4.	First P.A.	(Rs. 6500-10500)	1	1	1	1
5.	Second P.A.	(Rs.5500-9000)	1	2	2	1
6.	Hindi Steno	(Rs.5000-8000)	1	1	1	—
7.	Clerk	(Rs.3050-4590)	1	1	1	1
8.	Driver	(Rs.3050-4590)	1	1	1	1
9.	Attendant	(Rs.2610-3540)	1	1	1	1
10.	Peon	(Rs.2550-3200)	4	3	3	1
		TOTAL :	15	14	13	7

Departmental Examinations

2372. SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government conduct departmental examinations for some posts out of employees at lower posts;

(b) what are basic tenets for conducting departmental examinations;

(c) whether it is a fact that there is no provision for departmental examination for post of Asssistant from amongst Upper Division Clerks; and

(d) if so, whether Government would make provisions for departmental